Imported bulk drugs outside price control

1583. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the formulations based on imported bulk drugs are outside price control;

(b) if so, what are the names of formulations whose sales turn over is more than Rupees Fifty lacs per annum;

(c) what were the recommendations of Hathi Committee on formulations based on bulk drugs; and

(d) what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) Price control on formulations based on bulk drugs, whether imported or otherwise is in accordance with the provisions of DPCO, 1987. Presently about 70 per cent of the production of the Drug Industry is under price control.

(b) Sales turnover of formulations are not monitored.

(c) and (d) Hathi Committee was of the view that in order to avoid continuous dependence on imported bulk drugs, efforts should be made to manufacture such drugs indigenously in a phased manner.

Constitution of Standing Committee

1584. SHRI BEKAL UTSAHI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Standing Committee was constituted by Government to examine representations received against the findings of the Kelkar committee and also to remove anomalies in the findings of the Committee;

(b) whether the Standing Committee has submited its report;

(c) if so, when and who has been entrusted with the task of examining the report in the Ministry; and

(d) when the findings of the Standing Committee Working Groups and the decisions of the Government would be intimated to the House?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI CHINTA MOHAN): (a) and (b) Yes; Sir.

(c) The same is under examination of the Government.

(d) It will be possible only after Government takes decision on the recommendations.

Drawal of LTC by the Central Government Employees

1585. SHRI YASHWANT SINHA:

KUMARI SAYEEDA KHATUN:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state::

(a) whether the Central Government Employees travelling in the buses of Garhwal Motor Owners Union Limited/Kumaon Motor Owners Union Limited|Tehri Motor Owners Union Limited are entitled for the drawal of LTC; and

(b) if so, the details thereof, if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SMT. MARGARET ALVA): (a) and (b) Under the provisions of CCS (LTC) Rules, 1988, reimbursement for a journey or LTC is admissible if such a journey has been undertaken in a bus operated by Tourism Development Corporation in the Public Sector, State Transport Corporation and Transport Services run by other Government or Local bodies. Reimbursement of the fare is also admissible for journeys by the appropriate class of accommodation by a public trans-